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## ISRAEL PLEDGES UNCONDITIONALLY TO WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM EGYPT

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 8. (JTA) -- Israel today pledged unconditionally to withdraw its forces from Egypt as soon as satisfactory arrangements are made in connection with the establishment of the United Nations emergency police force. The pledge, received by Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold from Israel's Foreign Minister Golda Meir this evening, was interpreted by the Secretary General as meaning also that Israel accepts the establishment and functioning of the newly created UN police force.

At 6:27 P.M. Mr. Hammarskjold read a letter from Mrs. Meir sent to him by the head of Israel's delegation here, Abba Eban. Mrs. Meir's letter reads as follows:

"I thank you for your cable of November 5 and also of yesterday transmitting the two resolutions passed by the special emergency session of the General Assembly. I have the honor to inform you on behalf of the Government of Israel that the Government of Israel will willingly withdraw its forces from Egypt immediately upon the conclusion of satisfactory arrangements with the United Nations in connection with the emergency international force.

"At the same time and without prejudice to this undertaking, I wish to state that, while, as a result of the Sinai operation, we have succeeded in destroying many of the fedayeen gangs and the bases from which they were planned and directed, we must repeat one urgent request to the United Nations to call upon Egypt, which has consistently maintained that it is in a state of war with Israel, to renounce that position, to abandon its policy of boycott and blockade, to cease the sending into Israel of murder gangs and, in accordance with its obligations under the United Nations Charter to live at peace with member states, to enter into direct peace negotiations with Israel."

After reading Mrs. Meir's statement, Mr. Hammarskjold said: "I want to make two points so there will be no misunderstanding. There are certain hopes and wishes and demands expressed here by the Israel Government. But there is no condition as to the first part of the letter. It is self-explanatory. The letter from the Israel Foreign Minister also must be ready with emphasis on that part of the declaration which refers to the United Nations force. I want to point out also," Mr. Hammarskjold concluded, "that we have now arrived at a point where a new phase should begin."

## BEN GURION NOTIFIES EISENHOWER OF ISRAEL'S AGREEMENT TO QUIT EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower was notified today by Israel Premier David Ben Gurion that the Israel Government accepts his proposal to withdraw its forces from Egyptian territory and to cooperate with the United Nations troops which will be sent to the Suez Canal area. The exchange of communications between Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Ben Gurion will be made public by the White House late tonight. (At the time the Bulletin went to press it had not been made public.)

In the past 24 hours the State Department has exerted extreme pressure on the Israel Embassy to secure withdrawal of Israel forces. Ambassador Eban met twice with important State Department officials, one session being with Acting Secretary of State Herbert Hoover, Jr.

It was reported by well-informed sources, that the State Department threatened that the United States would not support Israel in the event of Soviet intervention on the Arab side unless Israel complied with President Eisenhower's request. A view was circulated by high government officials here that if World War III erupts as a result of Israel's refusal to withdraw troops, Israel would deserve condemnation rather than support from the U.S.

U.S. military sources today made known that Soviet military "advisers," Red Army technicians, and squadrons of MIG-jet aircraft piloted by Russian "volunteers" have entered Syria. The U.S. Defense Department has ordered a worldwide alert of U.S. armed forces. It was also reported here that Egypt is working with feverish speed to repair the airfields bombed by Anglo-French forces. The purpose of speedy repair of these facilities, it was said, is to prepare them for the arrival of Russian planes piloted by "volunteers."

Meanwhile, President Eisenhower today discussed the use of U.S. transportation to rush United Nations forces to the Middle East. This was learned following a meeting of the President with the National Security Council. State Department Lincoln White declined all comment on reports arriving here of a Soviet build-up pointing toward the Middle East.

# U.S. ZIONISTS CALL FOR ARAB-ISRAEL PEACE-NOW THROUGH DIRECT TALKS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- A call for peace now through direct Arab-Israel talks has been issued here today by the American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs.

In a special report, the committee urges that peace talks be made a first priority of our Near East policy. The report declares that no gain will be achieved by trying to turn the clock back and restoring the conditions of tension which existed on the frontiers of Israel for many years. The committee calls for the following six-point program of action:

- "1. The time has come to press for direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states to substitute peace treaties for armistice agreements.
- "2. Our government must be ready to offer its good offices to help these negotiations, but no peace can endure if it is imposed. It must be freely negotiated by the nations which are most directly concerned.
- "3. American aid must be employed as an instrument for peace. Emphasis must be shifted from weapons to technical assistance and economic development.
- "4. American aid should go to those who are ready to cooperate with us and with their neighbors in regional development in such projects as the Johnston Plan for the development of the Jordan River Valley.
- "5. The UN must insure that international shipping is guaranteed the right to unobstructed passage through the Suez Canal and that all discrimination against Israel shipping come to an end forthwith.
- "6. A vigorous effort must be made to solve the problem of the Arab refugees in the Arab states. Their homelessness has been too long prolonged, their misery deepened by the refusal of the Arab states to accept resettlement as the humane solution."

The American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs conducts public action bearing upon relations with governmental authorities in an effort to maintain and improve friendship and good-will between the United States and Israel.

## FEDAYEEN FROM JORDAN BLAST WATERLINES IN ISRAEL; ATTACK HOUSES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- Fedayeen from Jordan struck inside Israel last night on a wide front, destroying property and attacking houses, bridges, water mains, automobiles and a railroad. Despite the heavy concentration of attacks, no Israel casualties were reported, but three fedayeen were captured and one killed in the Lachish area southwest of Jerusalem.

The most important damage was done to the main aqueduct carrying Jerusalem's drinking water. It was breached near Bab el Wad and a crew of Israeli technicians and laborers were repairing it today. Another water line was blasted near Shaar Hagai and a civilian car attacked by grenade and rifle fire in the same area. Cars were also attacked in the Jerusalem Corridor and in the vicinity of Kalkilya, on the edge of the "bloody triangle" in Central Palestine.

Three empty houses were blown up east of Lydda. A charge went off under a bridge near Ein Hashomer but the structure was not damaged. At Ramat Hakoveshah a band of fedayeen was intercepted preparing to sabotage the railroad right of way.

An Israeli supply convoy passed through Jordanian lines around Jerusalem today without incident and made its way to the Israeli garrison on Mt. Scopus. Under the terms of the Israel-Jordan armistice agreements, Jordan is obligated to give safe passage through its lines for this convoy. The supply train was escorted by United Nations truce observers. The only access to the height is under Jordanian military controls.

## EGYPT PREPARED TO ATTACK ISRAEL IN NOVEMBER, DOCUMENTS SHOW

TEL AVIV, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- Israeli soldiers discovered important documents in Egyptian headquarters in the Sinai Peninsula confirming that Egypt had been preparing an assault on Israel in November, it was revealed here today.

(In Paris, French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau today told the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Assembly that Egypt was planning to attack Israel within six to eight months. In London, the Daily Sketch reported today that Anglo-French forces has discovered vast caches of Russian military supplies in Egypt, confirming secret documents they had that Egypt and the USSR had been planning to swoop down on Israel and destroy her.)

## ALL JEWISH HOMES IN PORT SAID BURNED DOWN BY EGYPTIANS

PARIS, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- All Jewish homes in Port Said were burned down by the Egyptians and most Jewish-owned stores were pillaged, the French newspaper Le Monde reported today. The Egyptians believed that the attack on the port-city was carried out by advance forces of the Israel Army, not by British paratroopers, Le Monde said.

## HUNDREDS OF JEWISH STUDENTS DIED FIGHTING RUSSIANS IN HUNGARY

VIENNA, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- More than 300 Jewish students died in the fighting between Hungarians and Soviet troops up to Nov. 3 and more must have been killed since, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned today.

Its informant, a 27-year-old Jewish member of Petofi, the Hungarian writers club, said that the majority of Jewish students had participated in the battles against the Russians and that Jewish high school and university students had demonstrated outstanding courage. It is for this reason, the sources said, that with the exception of a very small number of anti-Semitic incidents in the early days of the fighting that nothing of an anti-Jewish nature had occurred.

The informant said that among the exploits of a Jewish group fighting with the Hungarian forces was the capture of Soviet troops and the execution of a high-ranking Jewish officer of the Hungarian secret police. A large part of the 80,000 member Budapest Jewish population participated in the battles of the last few weeks, he asserted. The informant, who asked that his name be withheld because he had left relatives behind in Budapest, arrived here with a bullet wound in the left foot.

### J.D.C. Providing Care for Jews Who Escaped from Hungary

PARIS, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee is providing care for more than 200 Jewish men, women and children who have reached Austria as refugees from Hungary. JDC director general Charles Jordan, declared today upon his return from Vienna where he had surveyed the refugee situation in his capacity as president of the Standing Conference of Voluntary Agencies in the field of refugee relief.

Reporting that he had seen women still wearing their kitchen aprons and men who had not stopped to put on their coats before quitting their work benches, Mr. Jordan said that the facilities and manpower of Austria were insufficient to cope with the huge refugee problem. He indicated that while the JDC had a primary responsibility to the Jewish refugees it would cooperate in any general voluntary agency program to assist all fleeing Hungarians.

### J. C. A. SEES GOOD PROSPECTS FOR JEWISH COLONISTS IN BRAZIL

LONDON, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Prospects for Jewish Colonization Association colonists in Brazil and Argentina are quite favorable, it was reported at a meeting of the JCA Council in Paris. The Council considered a report on the recent visit to South America of V. Girmousky, JCA director general. The meeting also adopted in principle a decision to extend its help to those North African Jews, who may soon be arriving in Brazil, who appear to be suitable for settlement on the land.

The Council also heard a report from JCA president Sir Henry d'Avigdor Goldsmid, M. P., on a recent visit to Morocco, where he was accompanied by George Womser and Mr. Girmousky. Sir Henry inspected the Association's agricultural training center. It was reported that the artisan loan banks in North Africa -- created jointly by JCA and the Joint Distribution Committee -- continue to operate satisfactorily. One has just been opened at Marrakech and another is being started at Rabat.

Latest reports from JCA colonies in Israel indicated they were continuing to make progress. It was also reported that a decision had been taken to perpetuate the memory of Baron de Hirsch, JCA founder, by giving his name to a new colony to be set up this year in the Lachish development area.

### WORLD ORT UNION CONSIDERS \$4,529,300 BUDGET FOR 1957 ACTIVITIES

GENEVA, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- A provisional 1957 budget of \$4,529,300 was placed before a meeting of the executive of the World ORT Union here today.

Meanwhile, the executive decided to defer the election of a new world president to succeed the late Dr. Aron Syngalowski, one of the founders and leading lights of the ORT Union. It was decided that a new president be named at next year's meeting of the executive. A six-man policy-making committee was appointed for the interim period. It will be headed by Prof. William Haber, president of the American ORT Federation.

### NEW SCROLL CONTAINING STORIES FROM BIBLE DISCOVERED IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- A scroll containing stories from Genesis, Noah's biography, Abraham's journey into Egypt and a description of Sarah's beauty, among other matters, was described here today by Yigal Yadin, Hebrew University archaeologist.

Speaking at a press conference at the University, Dr. Yadin explained that the scroll, found in the Judean desert, is not as was first thought a Scroll of Lemech, although it does contain stories in which Lemech features, including conversations in which he discusses his belief that his wife has borne a child who is actually the "son of God." The scroll also contains, said Dr. Yadin who deciphered it, a description of the war of the four kings.

# N. Y. SUPREME COURT RULES JEWISH MEETINGS CAN BE HELD IN SYNAGOGUE

NEW YORK, Nov. 8. (JT) -- The State Supreme Court upheld yesterday the contention of the Jewish Center of Garden City, Long Island, that it could not be denied the right to hold adult and youth group meetings in its synagogue. However, the court refused to remove a clause in the center's permit from the town to use its premises for "religious purposes only."

The center claimed that the clause would prohibit its holding men's club and Girl Scout meetings, but the court said that such meetings were proper within the meaning of "religious purposes." The court cited a ruling of the state's highest court which, in the case of the Sands Point, L. I., Community Synagogue, recently held that "a church is more than merely an edifice affording people the opportunity to worship God. Churches have always developed social groups for adults and youths."

## HEBREW UNIVERSITY OPENS NEW ACADEMIC YEAR; 6,000 STUDENTS ENROLLED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- The Hebrew University opened the new academic year today with a ceremony attended by students, members of the faculty and the Minister of Education, Zalman Aranne. The ceremony was held on the new campus.

The student body has increased once again, it was announced at the opening ceremony. Six thousand men and women are enrolled in the University's various schools. The faculty has been increased in proportion. Both Mr. Aranne and Prof. Benjamin Mazar, president of the University, praised the scientific achievements of the University.

## SHIPMENT OF 10,000 TONS OF WHEAT LEAVES CANADA FOR ISRAEL

MONTREAL, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- A shipment of 10,000 tons of wheat valued at \$860,000 will leave Canada this week en route to Israel it was revealed here last night by the Canada-Israel Corporation.

Established several years ago by the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Zionist Organization of Canada to stimulate trade between Canada and Israel, the corporation has recently concluded an agreement with the Consortium of Banks which will provide further credit facilities for its purchase and shipment of commodities to Israel. At the corporation's annual meeting held last week, Samuel Bronfman was re-elected president.

## ARGENTINE JEWRY PLEDGES 1,000,000 PESOS FOR ISRAEL EMERGENCY FUND

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- A scheduled meeting to celebrate Israel Premier David Ben Gurion's 70th birthday was transformed last night into a rousing demonstration of Argentine Jewry's solidarity with the State and people of Israel. In a spontaneous demonstration, members of the audience sent to the platform checks for contributions to an emergency Israel defense campaign. The Buenos Aires Jewish Community pledged 1,000,000 pesos.

Israel Ambassador Arie L. Kubovy, reviewing the situation in the Middle East, asserted that "Ben Gurion represents the revolution in the Jewish spirit..." It is better, the Ambassador insisted, "to be asked why we fought instead of being asked why we did not fight, why we waited until it was too late. We prefer that people be angered at us rather than pitying us."

## SOUTH AFRICAN JEWS LAUNCH UNITED ISRAEL APPEAL IMMEDIATELY

JOHANNESBURG, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- The Israel United Appeal, a biennial affair in South Africa, will be launched immediately to help Israel, the Zionist Federation of South Africa announced today. The campaign was not scheduled to open until next February.

Meanwhile, all synagogues in the country held special prayers for peace. In most of them the rabbis delivered sermons discussing the reasons behind Israel's action against Egypt.

## GUSTAV SARON, SO. AFRICAN LEADER, TO STUDY JEWISH ACTIVITIES IN U. S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- Gustav Saron, general secretary of the South African Board of Jewish Deputies, arrived here to study organizational and fund-raising practices in the Jewish communities in the United States and Canada.

## MAISELS, PRESIDENT OF SO. AFRICAN BOARD OF JEWISH DEPUTIES, HONORED

JOHANNESBURG, Nov. 8. (JTA) -- Israel Maisels, president of the South African Board of Jewish Deputies, was honored here today for 21 years of service on the executive council of the Board of Deputies. The Council, at a luncheon in Mr. Maisels' honor, presented him with a silver rose bowl and an inscription certifying that his name had been inscribed in the Jewish National Fund's Golden Book.